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**FAMILY AWARENESS NETWORK OF NEW TRIER TOWNSHIP (FAN)
APRIL 2009 DEBATE**

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Thursday, April 23, Re-Thinking the Drinking Age: A Debate of Ideas. Is 21 Working? Is 18 the Answer?, 7:30 – 9:00 pm, Room C234, New Trier High School, Northfield Campus, 7 Happ Road, Northfield, IL, 60093. Representatives from Mothers Against Drunk Driving and the National Youth Rights Association square off in a debate of ideas format to cover the studies, the facts and the logical reasons pro and con for keeping the legal minimum drinking age at 21-years of age. The debate was inspired by the Amethyst Initiative - a call by 134 university presidents and chancellors to "weigh all the consequences of current alcohol policies and to invite new ideas on how best to prepare young adults to make responsible decisions about alcohol use." The debate of ideas will be moderated by a member of the League of Women Voters, and is co-sponsored by the League of Women Voters of Glencoe, Glenview, Winnetka-Northfield-Kenilworth, and Wilmette. Parents, students and all members of the community are encouraged to attend to gain insight into all aspects of this important public policy issue. This is the fourth and last in the 2008-09 series of FAN presentations. CPDUs will be available for education and health professionals. For more information and links to the position papers of the participants, visit www.fan-ntts.org.